U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CRIMINAL DIVISION OFFICE OF OVERSEAS PROSECUTORIAL DEVELOPMENT, ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING EXPERIENCED ATTORNEY / GS-14 to GS-15

Vacancy Announcement Number: 08-CRM-OPDAT-048

The Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) seeks an Experienced Department Trial Attorney to apply for a position as a Organized Crime Prosecutor in the Active Response Corps. Applicants initially will be stationed in Washington, D.C. (No relocation expenses are authorized.)

About the Office:

A primary mission of the Department of Justice in support of the U.S. national security strategy is combating international terrorism and other forms of transnational crime (e.g., trafficking in persons, organized crime, public corruption, money laundering, narcotics, cyber crime, and intellectual property violations). To accomplish this mission, the Department must have effective partners abroad. The fundamental interests of the United States are also served by the promotion of democracy and regional stability, and the establishment of rule of law overseas. To attain these goals, the Justice Department must continue to help develop effective foreign law enforcement and justice sector institutions. The Active Response Corps (CRC-A) is intended to be the "first responder" capability among the Department's corps of experts who have stepped forward to be on the cutting edge of justice sector engagements in future stabilization and reconstruction missions.

Responsibilities and Opportunities Offered:

The Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) seeks an experienced Assistant United States Attorney or Department of Justice Trial Attorney to apply for a position as an Organized Crime Prosecutor in the Active Response Corps. The Organized Crime Prosecutor provides technical advice and assistance within a ministry or procuracy regarding the introduction of enhanced law enforcement procedures necessary for the investigation and prosecution of traditional organized crime groups, trans-national criminal organizations, emerging organized crime networks, and violent street gangs, including coordinating large-scale long-term investigations, the use of strike forces,

undercover agents, wiretaps, asset tracing, forensics, informants and witness protection.

This position can be filled either as a reimbursable detail or by full-time term employment. Each CRC-A member will have stabilization and reconstruction related assignments and professional development requirements. Each CRC-A member will be called upon to deploy at short notice from a usual assignment location to a designated overseas location when a USG engagement requires a surge of USG civilian expertise. After a period of initial functional and readiness training, each CRC-A member may be utilized for varying professional development assignments overseas, but should always be prepared for an emergency stabilization and reconstruction deployment for one period of up to 180 days during any two year period of service in the CRC-A. In addition to providing all personnel related expenses, the State Department underwrites the training costs and the deployment/TDY costs of the activated CRC-A members.

Required Qualifications:

Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be duly licensed and authorized to practice as an attorney under the laws of a State, territory, or the District of Columbia. Applicants must be current **Department Trial Attorneys or Assistant United States Attorneys** and must have at least four or five years of post J.D. experience to be qualified at the GS-14 or 15 level. Applicants must have the ability to function effectively in an international, multi-cultural environment; be mature and self-sufficient; communicate effectively orally and in writing; be able to efficiently initiate and manage work projects; and possess extensive prosecutorial experience. Members of the CRC-A must satisfy a State Department Class I medical clearance process and will be required to maintain an appropriate level of physical fitness as CRC-A deployments may be more physically demanding than other duties, domestic or overseas. Periodic overseas travel will be required.

Preferred Qualifications:

Comparative law experience with foreign criminal justice systems and a general professional proficiency in one or more foreign languages are desirable attributes. Additionally, each CRC-A

member will be asked to participate in initial reconstruction and stabilization training provided by the State Department beginning in the spring of 2009 in order to hone and maintain their skills for deployment service. As the operational readiness of the CRC-A is maintained through an integrated training, exercise, and professional development program, applicants are advised that each CRC-A member may be utilized for varying professional development assignments overseas.

Application Process

Interested candidates should, as soon as possible, submit a completed Active Response Corps Applicant Cover Sheet (which can be found at the bottom of this listing), a resume, and a listing of three references. Faxed submissions are also acceptable. Mr. Alexandre's fax number is (202) 616-8429. Please mail to the attention of:

U.S. Department of Justice
Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance
and Training (OPDAT), Criminal Division
10th and Pennsylvania Aves., NW
Washington, DC 20530
ATTN: Mr. Carl Alexandre, Director

Deadline Date: Applications will be accepted until **filled.**

Salary Information: Current salary and years of litigation experience will determine the

appropriate salary. The possible salary range is GS-14 (\$102,721 to \$133,543 per annum) to GS-15 (\$120,830 to \$153,200 per

annum).

This and selected other legal position announcements can be found on the Internet at: http://www.usdoj.gov/careers/oarm.

The U.S. Department of Justice is an Equal Opportunity/Reasonable Accommodation Employer. It is the policy of the Department to achieve a drug-free workplace and the persons selected will therefore be required to pass a drug test to screen for illegal drug use prior to final approval. Employment is also contingent upon the satisfactory completion of a background investigation adjudicated by the Department of Justice.

The Department of Justice welcomes and encourages applications from persons with physical and mental disabilities and will reasonably accommodate the needs of those persons. The Department is firmly committed to satisfying its affirmative obligations under the Rehabilitation

Act of 1973, to ensure that persons with disabilities have every opportunity to be hired and advanced.

Active Response Corps (CRC-A) Applicant Cover Sheet
1. Name:
2. Home Address:
3. Business Address:
4. Contact Numbers:
5. Email address (work and personal):
6. Grade:
7. Work specialty:
8. Languages (include proficiency level 1 thru 5):
9. Military experience (Y/N; if Y, specify MOS or expertise & deployments):
10. International organization experience:
11. Previous foreign country experience (specify length of assignments/living experience):
12. Reconstruction & Stabilization training courses completed (list course numbers, title and date of completion):
13. Other relevant training/experience/individual skills:
14. Reconstruction & Stabilization Sectoral Skills (list all sectors that apply: Security, Justice and Reconciliation, Humanitarian and Social Well-being, Governance and

Participation, Management /Logistics, Technical Support Skills):